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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of May 10, 2004. The three month shortened statutory period to respond is set to expire August 10, 2004.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper and include an attached substitute specification. Applicants respectfully request entry of the attached substitute specification and the cancellation of all pages of the instant specification and replacement thereof with the enclosed substitute specification.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.